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IN RE APPLICATION OF: Hiroyuki IKEDA

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MAGNETIC RECORDING MEDIUM AND MAGNETIC RECORDING APPARATUS

ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS WASHINGTON, D.C. 20231

SIR:

Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.

- No additional fee is required
- ☐ Small entity status of this application under 37 C.F.R. §1.9 and §1.27 is claimed.
- Additional documents filed herewith: Marked-Up Copy, Petition for Extension of Time (3 Months)

The Fee has been calculated as shown below:

CLAIMS	CLAIMS REMAINING	·	HIGHEST NUMBER PREVIOUSLY PAID	NO. EXTRA CLAIMS		RATE	<i>,</i>	CALCULATIONS
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TOTAL OF ABOVE CALCULATIONS						NS	\$0.00	
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## **AMENDMENT**

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SIR:

In response to the Official Action dated August 1, 2002, please consider the remarks below and amend the above-identified patent application as follows:

## IN THE CLAIMS

Please cancel Claim 2 without prejudice.

Please amend Claim 1 as shown below.1

1. (Amended) A magnetic recording medium comprising a non-magnetic substrate and at least one magnetic recording layer formed on the substrate via at least two soft magnetic layers divided by a separate layer therebetween, wherein the

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A marked-up copy is attached hereto.